

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 11 and 12 with the following amended paragraph:

The method of evaluating the reflection performance of the reflecting mirror according to the present invention further comprises the steps of: (g) repeatedly applying step (d) to one reflecting basic surface sequentially selected from the remaining ones of the reflecting basic surfaces to update the divided area information, the divided area information being associated with the design information; (h) repeatedly applying steps (e) and (f) to one reflecting basic surface sequentially selected from the remaining ones of the reflecting basic surfaces to update the attribute information, the attribute information ~~being in~~being associated with at least one of the design information and the divided area information; and (i) displaying attribute information concerning the attributes with respect to a plurality of areas into which each of the remaining ones of the reflecting basic surfaces is divided on the basis of the design information.

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 17 and 18 with the following amended paragraph:

The method of designing a reflecting mirror for a vehicle lamp according to the present invention further include the steps of: (5) executing the above-described steps (1) to (3) when it is determined, in response to the first and second attributes displayed in step (4), that the reflecting basic surfaces are inappropriate for the vehicle lamp; and (6) adopting the reflecting basic surfaces, in step (1), for the reflecting mirror when it is determined, on the basis of the first

and second attributes displayed in step (4), that reflecting basic surfaces are appropriate for the vehicle lamp ~~that the imaginary~~.

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 25 and 26 with the following amended paragraph:

In order to make determination as to the reflecting surface shape of a reflecting mirror for the vehicle lamp, first of all, the condition setting means 281 sets the various conditions required for shape determination. These conditions contain the position of the light source point F (light source position), and the optical axis Ax passing through the light source position F, a position at which the light bulb B of FIG. 1 is arranged. If required, the condition setting means 281 may set additional conditions. In addition to these conditions, the shape restriction condition, required from the design condition of the vehicle body, can be also set for the lamp or the reflecting mirror. The conditions to be set are entered via an appropriate input device (reference numeral 210 of FIG. 34A), and then can be stored on the memory unit (reference numeral 220 of FIG. 34A). This permits the following sequence to be executed on the computer.

Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 38 and 39 with the following amended paragraph:

In the determination step 109, it is determined whether imaginary light from the light source position can effectively reach each of the areas (1) to (8). The following description will be made in connection with determinations as to the area (4) and the area (5), but can be

similarly applied to the remaining areas. The determination step 109 has the following steps: an evaluation point generating step 109a; a straight line generating step 109b; a box generating step 109c; an interference ~~judgement~~judgment step 109d; an attribute assigning step 109e; and an attribute displaying step 109f. The evaluation means 287 can include the following means: an evaluation point generating ~~step~~means 289a; a straight line generating ~~step~~means 289b; a box generating ~~step~~means 289c; an interference ~~judgement~~judgment means~~step~~ 289d; an attribute assigning ~~step~~means 289e; and a transmitting ~~step~~means 289f.